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✓ (1) Re: Erik Heine

On July 5, 1963, Edward Vallasti, Chairman of the Estonian Relief Committee in New York City, advised that Erik Heine, an Estonian, who is presently residing in Canada, was touring the United States lecturing and showing a film. The purpose of the tour was to raise money to assist Estonian partisans in their opposition to the Soviets. Vallasti stated that he knew the subject's parents in Tartu and knew them to be highly respected individuals. He knew nothing of the son.

Harold Raudsepp, Chairman of the World Federation of Estonians, 243 East 34th Street, New York City, advised on July 5, 1963, that Heine's tour had been arranged by Elmar Keerd, Chairman of the Estonian Independent War Veterans in New York City. Raudsepp indicated that the tour would take Heine through a number of cities but was unable to furnish any details concerning Heine's exact itinerary. He did, however, mention that Heine was expected to return to Canada in mid July.

On July 26, 1963, Edward Vallasti advised that Heine's tour brought him to New York City on the weekend of May 4 and 5, 1963. According to Vallasti, Heine delivered his lecture at the High School for Fashion Industries, 225 West 24th Street, New York City,

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Re: Eerik Heine

on May 4, 1963 and at Estonian House on May 5, 1963. Vallasti commented that the attendance on both occasions was poor, and that neither he nor Harold Raudsepp attended either showing. Vallasti stated that from talking to individuals who had attended the lecture, that the lecture was not pro-Soviet in any way, and was well received by those who attended.

Vallasti advised that although Heine had utilized the Estonian House as his address in the United States during the tour, he received no mail there. From conversations with members of the Estonian colony in New York, Vallasti stated that he was unable to find anyone who was aware of Heine's intention to return to the United States permanently or of individuals in New York City whose residence or whereabouts inquiry was made.

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